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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): **POITRAS, Brian; MOGLIA, JR., Robert F.**  
For (title): **AUTOMATED COMPOSTING SYSTEM**

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**1. Type of Application**

This transmittal is for an original (nonprovisional) application.

**2. Papers Enclosed**

**A.** Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. 1.153 (Design) Application

29 Page(s) of Specification

11 Page(s) of Claims

7 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)—Informal

**B.** Other Papers Enclosed

3 Page(s) of Declaration and Power of Attorney

1 Page(s) of Abstract

**3. Additional Papers Enclosed**

Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. 1.98) with PTO/SB/08 and Citations

Application Data Sheet

Nonpublication Request

**4. Declaration or Oath**

Enclosed and Executed by all Inventors.

**5. Inventorship Statement**

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

**6. Language**

English

**7. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16)**

Regular Application

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 CFR 1.16(a) \$770.00
Total Claims (37 CFR 1.16(c))	43	- 20 =	23 x	\$18.00	\$414.00
Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b))	2	- 3 =	0 x	\$86.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+	\$270.00	\$0.00
Filing Fee Calculation					\$1,184.00

**8. Small Entity Statement(s)**

This is a filing by a small entity under 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.9 and 1.27.

Filing Fee Calculation (50% of above) \$592.00

**9. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time**

Enclosed  
Filing Fee \$592.00

**Total Fees Enclosed \$592.00**

**10. Method of Payment of Fees**

Check for \$592.00 in payment of the Basic Filing Fee.

**11. Instructions as to Overpayment**

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**12. Relate Back**

Please amend the specification by inserting, before the first line, the following sentence:

**A. 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)**

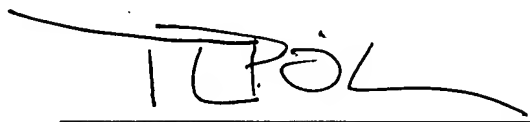
“This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No.:

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60/459,172

03/31/2003.”



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**NONPUBLICATION REQUEST  
UNDER  
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

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Title

Automated Composting System

Attorney Docket Number

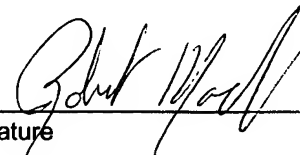

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